

KCC 4770 (K-C 17,310)
PATENTREMARKS

Claims 22-27 have been canceled without prejudice to their patentability. Claims 1-21 will be pending in the application following entry of Re amendment. Claims 3, 4, 5, 8, 11, 14, 16, 17, 20 and 21 have been withdrawn from consideration.

I. Restriction Requirement

In response to the restriction requirement, applicants elect Group I, corresponding to claims 1-21, without traverse, for continued prosecution on the merits. Applicants reserve the right to file a divisional directed to the subject matter of the non-elected claims.

II. Election of Species

In response to examiner's request to elect species, applicants elect the following from the Group I claims:

1) As to the species Group 1), applicants elect the species of inelastic material;

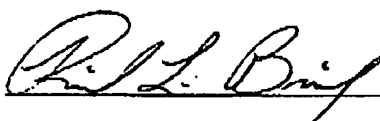
2) As to species Group 2), applicants elect the species of force application without substantial pecking or gathering; and

3) As to species Group 3), applicants elect the species of orientation to be the machine direction.

Within the elected Group I claims, claims 1, 3, 6-7, 9-10, 12-13, 15, and 18-19 all read on the elected species. Claims 2, 4, 5, 8, 11, 14, 16, 17, 20 and 21 have been withdrawn from consideration.

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